

# Welcome to Pre-K Camp!

Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays

8:00 AM - 12:30 PM

(drop-off between 8:00-8:30 AM)

(pick-up between 12:15-12:30 PM)



June 7 – August 6

We are so excited that you will be  
joining us for Pre-K Camp!

Check out this packet to learn a little  
more about the fun summer ahead!

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# Meet Our Pre-K Camp Coordinators

## **Tara Oxier**

Hello friends! I cannot wait to be your Pre-K Camp Coordinator again! I would love to share a little bit about myself. I have taught preschool for 10 years for Clinton CUSD #15. I have my bachelor's degree in early childhood education and my master's degree in curriculum and instruction. This is my third summer leading Pre-K camp after working full-time for 5 summers as part of the Camp Osage staff with the elementary-aged children in our community. I am thrilled to get to meet and engage with new preschoolers in our community! In my spare time, I enjoy spending time with my husband and our toddler son, playing with our 3 cats, completing workout classes at the YMCA, and being outdoors as much as possible. I'm excited to get to know each and every one of you over the summer!

## **Alicia Morris**

Hi friends! I'm so excited to be one of your Pre-K camp counselors this year! I can't wait to work with and meet many amazing preschoolers this summer. I have my Bachelor's degree in Elementary Education and am currently a 4th grade teacher in the Decatur school district. I have many years of experience teaching in a preschool setting as well. Some of my favorite things to do include traveling to new places, reading, and spending time with friends and family. I look forward to spending the summer with each of you!

# Pre-K Camp Weekly Themes

<b>Week 1</b>	6/7, 6/9, & 6/11: Digging into Summer (dinos)
<b>Week 2</b>	6/14, 6/16, & 6/18: Down on the Farm
<b>Week 3</b>	6/21, 6/23, & 6/25: Who you Gonna' Call?
<b>Week 4</b>	6/28, 6/30, & 7/2: Animal Planet
<b>Week 5</b>	7/5, 7/7, & 7/9: The Great Outdoors
<b>Week 6</b>	7/12, 7/14, & 7/16: Mad Scientist
<b>Week 7</b>	7/19, 7/21, & 7/23: It's a Bug's Life
<b>Week 8</b>	7/26, 7/28, & 7/30: Under the Sea
<b>Week 9</b>	8/2, 8/4, & 8/6: Summer Blast

Many of our daily activities will focus on our fun theme for the week!

\*\*\*Weekly themes are subject to change

# What do I need for Pre-K Camp?

## Wear Daily

- \*Play clothes
- \*Socks
- \*Tennis Shoes
- \*Sunscreen

## Bring (and label)

- \*Healthy Lunch
- \*Full change of clothes
- \*Sunscreen
- \*Water Bottle
- \*Swimsuit
- \*Towel
- \*Car seat/camp shirt/trip fee  
(on field trip days)



## DON'T WEAR

- CLOTHES THAT CAN'T GET MESSY
- SANDALS/FLIP FLOPS
- ACCESSORIES THAT COULD GET LOST

## DON'T BRING

- SODA, CANDY, OR GUM
- LUNCH THAT NEEDS TO BE HEATED OR REFRIGERATED
- TOYS
- ELECTRONICS
- EXTRA SPENDING MONEY

We will be tie-dyeing shirts on the first Friday of camp, June 11th. Please bring in a plain white shirt with your child's name written on the tag. This will be the shirt your child will wear for field trips. If you will not be here on Friday, June 11th, please bring us your plain white shirt before that date so we can dye it for you!

# What Will a Day at Pre-K Camp Look Like?

Each day will be a little different, but here are some of the fun things you can look forward to this summer!

**Art and other themed projects**

**Games and free play**

**Songs and stories**

**Provided daily snack**

**Playtime at the park/splash pad**

**Dress-up days**

**Weekly newsletters**

**Weekly field trips**

**Making new friends and wonderful memories!**

# Pre-K Camp Field Trip Days

Field Trip days will be a little different than other days at camp. On our field trip days, campers must be dropped off **no later than 8:15 AM**. Parents must also leave a car seat or booster seat for each child (if they do not desire to use the YMCA's provided low-back booster seats) so we can safely transport them to and from our destination. There may be a \$1.00-\$5.00 fee (depending on the trip) that must be paid in cash in advance. As always, please do not send your child with any extra spending money as we will not be purchasing anything extra on our trips. We will return to the YMCA before 12:30 PM. We ask that your child wears his/her tie-dyed camp shirt on all field trip days to more easily identify our group. All field trip information will be covered in the weekly newsletter the week prior to the trip.

**All field trips are tentative and subject to change**

Friday, June 11: **tie-dye field trip shirts**

Friday, June 18: **Timberview Alpaca Farm (Clinton, IL)**

Friday, June 25: **Safety Town (Normal, IL)**

Friday, July 2: **Scovill Zoo (Decatur, IL)**

Friday, July 9: **Sugar Grove Nature Center/Imagination Grove (McLean, IL)**

Friday, July 16: **Children's Museum of Illinois (Decatur, IL)**

Friday, July 23: **Weldon Springs (Clinton, IL)**

Friday, July 30: **McGraw Park (Bloomington, IL)**

Friday, August 6: **Clinton Lake Beach (Clinton, IL)**

# COVID-19 & Other Health Guidelines

**SNACKS:** A daily snack will be provided. Some will be pre-packaged, but others will not. We will sanitize before serving the snack and wear gloves if the snack is not prepackaged.

**MASKS:** Masks are recommended for Camp Osage Pre-K Camp, but they are NOT required. Wearing a mask is up to your discretion as the parent. We will be outside and social-distance when possible, but not at all times. Some field trips will require that a mask be worn. That will be fully communicated ahead of time in the weekly newsletter.

**ILLNESSES:** Children should not be sent to camp if they have any of the following symptoms 24 hours prior to arrival. Children must be symptom free without medication for 24 hours before returning to camp. A child who is unable to participate in activities (due to an injury) should not be sent to camp.

- FEVER: if over 100 degrees or accompanied by other symptoms such as vomiting, diarrhea, etc.
- RESPIRATORY PROBLEMS: severe congestion, coughing or unexplained wheezing
- LOSS OF SMELL/TASTE: if a new or sudden change has occurred
- VOMITING AND/OR DIARRHEA: which occurs more than once or is accompanied by other flu-like symptoms
- RASH: if the cause of the rash is unknown, if the rash is not being treated, or if rash is known to be contagious
- CHICKEN POX: or other communicative diseases.
- HEAD LICE: must have approval from Health Department (free of charge) if child has missed camp due to head lice. Random checks may be done at the discretion of Camp Staff for your child's safety.

If a child becomes ill at camp, the camp staff will call the parent of the child based on contact information listed on the registration sheet and/or health history form. A child who is vomiting will not be kept at camp for any reason.